GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services-Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram-Departmental Proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification,Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 –Articles Of Charges -Issued.

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PLANNING (III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.204 **Dated: 06.06.2019**

Read the following:

1. G.O.Rt.No.98, Planning (III) Department, dated. 20.02.2019.
2. Govt.Memo.No.83/Plg.III/A1/2019 -12, dt. 17.05.2019.
3. From the Director, DE&S, Vijayawada, Lr.No.804/Admn/ J.D./2019, dt. 21.05.2019.

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O R D E R

It is proposed to hold an Enquiry against Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director working as Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram in accordance with procedure laid down in Rule 20 of A.P.Civil Services (Classification,Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the Imputations of Misconduct or Misbehaviour in respect of which the Inquiry is proposed to be held out is in the enclosed Statement of Articles Of Charges (Annexure-I). A Statement of Imputations of Misconduct or Misbehaviour in support of each Article Of Charge is enclosed.(Annexure-II). A List of Documents by which, and a List of Witnesses by whom, the Articles Of Charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures-III and IV).

3. Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/ Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this Order, a Written Statement of her Defence.

4. Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/ Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram is informed that an Inquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles Of Charge as are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article Of Charge.

5. Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/ Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram is further informed that if she does not submit her Written Statement of Defence on or before the dates specified in para 3 above, further action will be taken ex-parte based on the material available on record as per rules in force.

6. Attention of Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/ Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interest in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any Representation is received on her behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these Proceedings, it will be presumed that Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram is aware of such a Representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Order shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To
Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Joint Director/ Chief Planning Officer,
Vizianagaram **THROUGH** the Director, Directorate of Economics
& Statistics, Vijayawada.(Enclosed Annexures I to IV).
The Director, Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Vijayawada
(Two Copies). He is requested to serve a copy of this Order
on the individual and furnish Dated Acknowledgement to the
Government for record.
SF/SC

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE – I

Statement of Articles Of Charge framed against Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Chief Planning Officer/Joint Director, Viizianagaram District

ARTICLE – I

Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Chief Planning officer/Joint Director,**Viizianagaram**, Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Planning department has not relieved and joined at Nellore as per the transfer orders issued vide G.O.Rt.No.98, Planning (III) Department, dt. 20.02.2019 despite repeated Instructions of Government from time to time resulted in administrative inconvenience. Thus she failed to maintain discipline and behaved in a manner which is unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby violated Rule 3 (1) and (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964. Hence the Charge.

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ANNEXURE-II

Statement of Imputation of Misconduct and Misbehavior in support of the Draft Articles Of Charges against Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Chief Planning Officer/Joint Director, Viizianagaram District.

Basis of Charges

Charge-I

The Chief Electoral Officer, A.P has issued Comprehensive Guidelines for Transfer of all Officers, who are connected with conduct of Elections directly or indirectly in the States/UT, for conduct of the Elections in a free and fair manner, vide Memo dt:22.01.2019.

Further, the General Administration (Election-A) Department vide G.O.Rt.No. 216, dt. 30.01.2019, ordered that, Transfers/Postings of all the Officers who are connected with conduct of Elections in all the States/UTs in view of General Elections -2019, as per the ECI Guidelines shall be completed by 28.02.2019.

In accordance with the Guidelines of the ECI and as per the Orders of the General Administration (Election-A) Department, and keeping in view the occasions in 2009, 2014 and 2019 where the Chief Planning Officers were deputed to the Election duty, the Government issued Orders on 20-02-2019 for effecting the Transfers in respect of the Chief Planning Officers of the Seven Districts who have completed more than 3 years of service as on 31-05-2019 in the same Station/Hometown including the Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram who has completed 3 years 6 months of service .

Subsequently, the Government Orders have been reiterated vide Memo. No. 183/Plg.III/A2/2019-3,4,6 dt.05.03.2019, 12.03.2019,16.04.2019 and Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi was directed to get herself relieved and join in the new place i.e.Nellore.

Finally the Chief Secretary to Government, Andhra Pradesh and Chairman of Model Code Screening Committee on 15-04-2019 issued Instructions to the District Collector, Vizianagaram for relief of Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram without waiting for substitute and further correspondence with a direction to Chief Planning Officer to get her relieved. Even then, the Chief Planning Officer has not responded.

Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Chief Planning Officer has been called for explanation for not obeying the orders of the Government within three days from the date of receipt of Memo. However, she has not furnished her Explanation and requested the Government two weeks time to submit her reply citing health reasons.

Furthermore, even after Model code of Conduct which was in operation during the course of General Elections to Lok Sabha & Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly ,2019 was lifted by ECI on 26.05.2019 soon after completion of Election Process, she is still continuing in the post of Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram without relieving herself, which shows her wilful disobedience of the Orders of the Government.

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In spite of the Instructions received from the highest authority of the Government Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Chief Planning Officer, Vizianagaram has not responded. As per the Transfer Orders, dt. 20.02.2019, she has to relieve and join at SPSR Nellore which is lying vacant w.e.f.14.03.2019. Due to her non-relief, she made her successor, Sri.T.Suresh Kumar, Chief Planning Officer,West Godavari(who has been relieved on 8.3.2019) wait without postings since 8.3.2019 resulting in administrative inconvenience. This shows her wilful disobedience and indiscipline and attracts violation of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964. Hence the charge.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SMT.J.VIJAYA LAKSHMI, CHIEF PLANNING OFFICER/ JOINT DIRECTOR , VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT.

1. Chief Electoral Officer, A.P., vide their Memo.No.136/ Elecs.A/A2/2019-1, dt. 22.01.2019
2. Govt.Memo.No.183/Plg.III/A2/2019-2, dated:14-02-2019.
3. DE&S, Vijayawada Letter No.804/Admn/J.D./2019, Dated: 18 -02-2019.
4. G.O.Rt.No.98,Planning(III)Department,Dated:20-02-2019.
5. Govt.Memo.No.183/Plg.III/A2/2019-3, dated:05-03-2019.
6. Govt.Memo.No.183/Plg.III/A2/2019-4, dated:12-03-2019 addressed to the District Collector, Viziznagaram.
7. Govt.Memo.No.183/Plg.III/A2/2019-6, dated:15-04-2019.
8. DE&S, Vijayawada Letter No.804/Admn/J.D./2019, Dated:29-04-2019.
9. Govt.Memo.No.183/Plg.III/A2/2019-9,dated:06-05-2019.
10. Letter from the C.P.O.,Vizianagaram, Dt:15-05-2019.

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ANNEXURE – IV

List of Witnesses by whom the Articles Of Charges framed against Smt.J.Vijaya Lakshmi, Chief Planning Officer/Joint Director, Vizianagaram District are proposed to be sustained.

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